GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4247
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AMENDMENT IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BILL
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission for Women has requested the Government for bringing amendments in the Domestic Violence Bill for including a provision to restrain an accused husband from forcing sexual cohabitation and to ensure rights to matrimonial home for the wife;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a),(b)&(c) National Commission for Women (NCW)had organised a consultative meeting on 14.8.2002, which recommended that Protection Order of the Magistrate may, inter-alia, contain a direction that matrimonial home be given to the wife for her separate living.

As the Protection from Domestic Violence Bill, 2002 has beenintroduced in the Lok Sabha on 8th March,2002, the Parliamentary procedures will determine the further course of action on various suggestions, including those from NCW.